

Thriftwood Scout Campsite Risk Assessment: Jacobs Ladder

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Hazard	Who might be harmed	Existing controls	Severity 1-10	Likelihood 1-10	Rating (SxL)	Further Actions Required
Hitting beams	Participant	Staff to lower participants in a controlled fashion	6	3	18	Adequately controlled
Falling	Participant	Instructors to hold Scout Climbing permit or Girl Guide Level 1. Gri-Gri Belay devise to be used. Controlled lower off.	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Equipment Failure	Participant	Instructors to check equipment prior to session. Quarterly inspections. Annual Inspection by Rope course inspector.	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Horseplay	All	Activity to be supervised by appropriate adult	6	2	12	Adequately controlled
Poor Harnesses	Participant	Checked by instructors prior to climbing. Quarterly inspections	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Rope burn	Participant	Trained staff	3	3	9	Trivial Risk
Splinters	Participant	Treated and sanded timber supplied from rope course supplier	3	5	15	Adequately controlled
Finger/limb entrapment	Participant	Instruct participants to keep away from metal support cables	6	2	12	Adequately controlled
Inverting	Participants	Participants provided with chest & sit harnesses	8	2	16	Adequately controlled
Adverse Weather	All	Activity stopped during electrical storms heavy rain or high wind	8	1	8	Trivial Risk
See Site Procedures for action.						

Rating	81-100	61-80	41-60	21-40	11-20	0-10
Action	Immediate Action	Action within 1 week	Not adequately controlled	Further Investigation	Adequately Controlled	Trivial Risk